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Applicants: Dallas et al.

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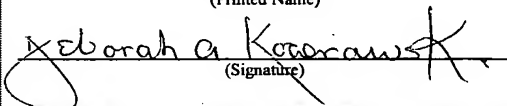
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Transmitted herewith is a Reply and Amendment in the above-identified patent application.

☒ [X] Reply and Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.113, 1.116 (12 pages).

☒ [X] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims As Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Present		Rate		Additional Claims Fee
Total Claims:	32	-	34	=	0	x	\$50.00	=	\$0.00
Independent Claims:	4	-	4	=	0	x	\$200.00	=	\$0.00
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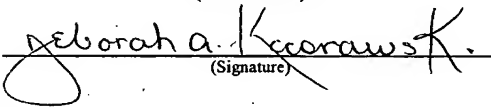
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REPLY AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.113, 1.116

This Reply and Amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action dated March 14, 2006, concerning the above-identified patent Application.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this document.